continue in service. Those that may hereafter be appointed should likewise qualify themselves by passing such a test.

*Reply of Government.*—The suggestion is a good one and will receive consideration. Qualification must of course be ascertained.

**Subject No. 148.**
**Training of Shekdars in Engineering.**

Mr. Amble Anniah Pandit.

*Summary of discussion.*—After passing an examination in surveying and levelling, shekdars may be required to undergo an apprenticeship course for one year under an Executive or Assistant Engineer to learn such works as preparing estimates of tanks, construction of small bridges etc.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

**Subject No. 149.**
**Hak to be forfeited for criminal offence.**

Messrs. Amble Anniah Pandit and D. Narsimhaiya.

*Summary of discussion.*—In view to prevent shanbhogs from committing crimes, *i. e.*, embezzlement of Government money, it is requested that a ruling may be made for the forfeiture of the hak by the family of a shanbhog convicted of such offences.

*Reply of Government.*—Existing rules provide for this.

**Subject No. 150.**
**Remuneration to Totis and Talaries.**

Messrs. Shamiah, Kankanhalli Taluk, Srikantiah, Hutchveeragowda and Dasappa of Nelamangala Taluk, and M. Ramachandra Rao.

*Summary of discussion.*—(*a*) Prior to the Survey totis and talaris were given one kolaga of ragi and one bundle of straw by each raiyat, but the present rules prescribe acreage contribution, which is oppressive to the raiyats. The original practice should be ordered to be revived.

(*b*) According to the prescribed rules, banjar lands are exempted from payment of contribution. But no such distinction is made in practice, and suits are filed for contribution on the whole extent of lands, cultivated and banjar.

(*c*) Totis and talaris may be remunerated in money.

*Reply of Government.*—The existing rules provide sufficiently in this matter, and lead to no grievance. In regard to the allegation that all lands are included, let particular instances be brought to notice.

**Subject No. 151.**
**Pattas to Shikmidars.**

Mr. Shamiah of Kankanhalli Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—It is requested that orders may be passed to issue duplicate pattas to shikmidars under the signature of Amildars. This arrangement is calculated to afford facilities to the shikmidars to pay their respective shares of the kandayam, which, under the existing system, the village officials often refuse to receive from any but the pattadar.

*Reply of Government.*—Let particular cases be brought to the notice of Deputy Commissioners.

**Subject No. 152.**
**Mohatarfa.**

Mr. K. Srikantiah of Mysore Municipality.

*Summary of discussion.*—Uniform levy of mohatarfa may be introduced throughout the State, as at present it often involves a double incidence on the same persons.

*Reply of Government.*—Government will enquire into this complaint.